BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTH.

May 30, 2002

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IN RE: Generic Docket to Consider
Technology Advances

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Docket No. 02-00434
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PETITION TO INTERVENE

AT&T Communications of the South Central States ("AT&T") petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310(b).

AT&T is a competitive local exchange carrier certified by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") to offer intrastate telecommunications services in Tennessee.

The above-captioned docket concerns the unbundled network element ("UNE") rates requiring reevaluation due to advances in technology. The technological advances in loop, switching, and cost modeling that have occurred since the 1997 cost case in Tennessee ("the Permanent Prices" docket 97-01262) require that the recurring and nonrecurring rates for all UNEs for BellSouth in Tennessee be reevaluated. As a competing local exchange carrier in Tennessee, AT&T utilizes UNEs provided by BellSouth; therefore, AT&T's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests or responsibilities may be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding.

Granting this petition will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

AT&T therefore requests that this Petition to Intervene be granted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been forwarded via fax or hand delivery and U.S. mail to the following on this the 30th day of May, 2002.

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